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¶1. (U) This cable responds to the action request in reftel requesting human rights vetting for the candidates nominated to attend USCG SEARCH AND RESCUE COURSE (PART II).

¶2. (U) The Department of State has vetted the individuals listed in reftel and possesses no credible derogatory information as of 10/28/2009. Post is authorized to include the following individual in USG-funded training:

OLTJON BEQIRI, LTJG/ PATROL BOAT, 1/25/1979
EDION GJUZI, LTJG/PATROL BOAT, 4/21/1982
ALKET CULLHAJ, LTJG/ PATROL BOAT, 11/12/1973
TAULANT BOCAJ, LTJG/PATROL BOAT, 3/1/1980
BLENDI MELISHTE, LTJG/TRAINING STAFF OFFICER, 9/28/1978
BESNIK CAMI, LTJG/PATROL BOAT, 7/26/1972
OLSI AVDULI, LT/COMMANDER, 1/31/1979
VLADIMIR CENOLLI, LTJG/ PATROL BOAT, 8/27/1981
BAURENT LAZE, LTJG/SHIP COMMANDER, 4/25/1983
ERALD MEHMETI, LTJG/ PATROL BOAT, 10/13/1980
ELIDON LAMCE, LTJG/PATROL BOAT, 3/8/1980
ALTIN LICAJ LTJG/DEPUTY, 2/15/1981
FATJON CUFAJ, LTJG/PATROL BOAT, 2/13/1983
EDUART KAJA, GROUP COMMANDER, CUSTOMS, 6/22/1967
ALBAN HAXHIRAJ, GROUP COMMANDER, CUSTOMS, 12/26/1981
ASTRIT KURTI, GROUP COMMANDER, CUSTOMS, 8/25/1969
SHKELOQIM HAJDINI, GROUP COMMANDER, CUSTOMS, 7/22/1955
AGRON OPARI, INSPECTOR, CUSTOMS MARITIME, 2/19/1969
NIKOLL LLESHI, INSPECTOR, CUSTOMS MARITIME, 8/18/1966
FOTO KAPAJ, OPERATIONS, DELTA FORCE, 3/14/1972
SEHIT XHEBROJ, BOAT COMMANDER, DELTA FORCE, 3/16/1954
KLODJAN PETANI, OPERATIONS, DELTA FORCE, 11/10/1981
NAZMI GIZMJA, ASS/ CONTROLLER, BORDER POLICE, 11/5/1961
ALBAN DUKA, LT/DEPUTY COMMANDER, 4/17/1989
URIM BULICA, LT/DEPUTY COMMANDER, 1/11/1979
FATJON TOZAJ, LTJG/DEPUTY COMMANDER, 5/22/1982
ELTON KASEMI, LTJG/CHIEF OF GUNNERY SYSTEM, 3/26/1981
SOKOL PEPAJ, INSPECTOR, CUSTOMS MARITIME, 2/22/1957
ILIR HASANI, INSPECTOR, CUSTOMS MARITIME, 7/28/1964
ERION GJONAJ, INSPECTOR, CUSTOMS MARITIME, 1/15/1983

¶3. (U) Post is permitted to provide the following statement to authorized parties: Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the individual(s) identified above, as of 10/28/2009. Post may cite this cable in response.

¶4. (U) Note that if Post subsequently becomes aware of possible human rights violations by the individual(s) listed above, Post should inform the Department and not proceed with training. Post should refer to the Leahy Vetting guidance manual for additional assistance.
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